STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS RHODE ISLAND Department of Administration Division of Purchasing Notice of Public Hearing

The Director of the Rhode Island Department of Administration has under consideration proposed amendments to STATE PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS. These proposed amendments have been prepared as a result of comments received at a public hearing held on October 23, 2008. These proposals amend the State Procurement Regulations adopted in January of 1995 currently on file with the Office of the Secretary of State as ERLID Number 539. The proposed amended regulations are promulgated in accordance with Section 37-2-39 and Chapter 42-35 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended, and shall establish criteria by which public agencies would be authorized to select methods of construction contract management services.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, that a public hearing on the above proposed amended rules and regulations shall be held on Tuesday December 16, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room B in the William E. Powers Building (Department of Administration Building), One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, at which time and place all persons interested will be heard.

In the development of the proposed amended rules and regulations, consideration was given to the following: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business, as defined in Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, which may result from these regulations. No alternative approach or duplication or overlap was identified based upon available information.

Copies of the proposed regulations are available for public inspection at the offices of Division of Purchases, Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908, or by calling Lorraine Hynes at 401-574-8100, or by sending an email to: LHynes@purchasing.state.ri.us. In conformance with Section 42-35-3(a)(1) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, copies of a concise summary of all non-technical amendments being proposed are available upon request.

For the sake of accuracy, it is requested that statements made relative to any aspect of the regulations, including alternative approaches, overlap, or significant economic impact, be submitted in writing at the time of the hearing, emailed or mailed prior to the hearing date to: Lorraine Hynes, Division of Purchases, Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Oral statements made at the public hearing will be considered, but should be limited to five minutes each.

Conference Room B is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must call James Pitassi at 222-6395 at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the hearing date.

Signed this 14th day of November, 2008

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